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Comrades

I have received word from Fellow Worker A Westbrook of Sydney that she received a letter from you. I am an anarchist and have been connected with a small Italian group in the North of Queensland. One of ^{the} comrades (whose name I will refrain from mentioning owing to the possibility of deportment to Fascist Italy) is now residing near here, and the last time I called on him he gave me a copy of the Paper "Spain and the World" which I gave to Fellow Worker Westbrook and she said

Enclosed cutting from the Communist Paper Worker Weekly which has been damaged, but I think you can manage to read a photo of Comrade Oliver (Captured News)

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She would write to you,
and I can assure you we
are very pleased to hear
from you. I only receive
one Anarchist paper and
that is in the Italian
language which I am
able to read write and
speak; but as I would
prefer the English papers.
The paper I receive is called
"Il Risveglio Anarchico."
printed in Geneva.

I also receive the I.W.W.
Industrial Worker from Chic-
-ago U.S.A. I am a steel
worker employed at the
B.H.P. steel works Port
Waratah, and I hope you
will excuse my writing
^{hands are} as my cramped and sore.
The Labour Movement in
Australia is in a very
bad way, a number of
the Leaders openly support
Franco in Spain.

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This is due to the Roman Catholic Church having gained nearly all leading positions in the Labor Party. The Communist Party will not expose them because it would break the unity of the Party; but instead I plead mournfully for a People's Front. One of the Communist Party Leaders died here recently and it said the Central Committee ordered them to get a parson to read the burial service which was done (a classic example of the United front.). The Comrats as we call here hate the sight of us and me in particular and have tried to molest me on several occasions generally 5 or 6 together like a pack of wolves. but never one at a time.

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We call them Militant
Knuckle Duster Brigade.
; but they are losing ground
and continue to go more to
the right, many of their
Pamphlets would interest
you, particularly on the
defence of Australia
against the Japanese.
and I will send some
the next time I go to
Sydney and you no doubt
would think they were issued
by a capitalist class group.
We will most probably
form a small group
in Sydney in the near
future and will be
able to keep contact
with you.

Anarchist Greeting
Yours fraternally

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P.S. I am an Australian
born Frenchman
J.D.G.

I will give fellow workers
a book some money
to forward for literature
as soon as possible